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| Shigeru YANO et al |) | Group Art Unit: 1771 |
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| Application No.: 09/913,725 |) | Examiner: Hai Vo |
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| Filed: August 17, 2001 |) | Confirmation No.: 3808 |
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| For: POROUS FILM AND |) | |
| MANUFACTURING METHOD |) | |
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AMENDMENT/REPLY TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Enclosed is a reply for the above-identified patent application.

- A Petition for Extension of Time is also enclosed.
- A Terminal Disclaimer and the \$55.00 (2814) \$110.00 (1814) fee due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.20(d) are also enclosed.
- Also enclosed is/are Submission of Terminal Disclaimer
- Small entity status is hereby claimed.
- Applicant(s) request continued examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 and enclose the \$375.00 (2801) \$750.00 (1801) fee due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e).
- Applicant(s) previously submitted ___, on ___, for which continued examination is requested.
- Applicant(s) request suspension of action by the Office until at least ___, which does not exceed three months from the filing of this RCE, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c). The required fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) is enclosed.
- A Request for Entry and Consideration of Submission under 37 C.F.R. § 1.129(a) (1809/2809) is also enclosed.
- No additional claim fee is required.

An additional claim fee is required, and is calculated as shown below:

| AMENDED CLAIMS | | | | | |
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| | NO. OF CLAIMS | HIGHEST NO. OF CLAIMS PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR | EXTRA CLAIMS | RATE | ADDT'L FEE |
| Total Claims | 9 | MINUS 20 = | 0 | × \$18.00 (1202) = | 0.00 |
| Independent Claims | 1 | MINUS 3 = | 0 | × \$84.00 (1201) = | 0.00 |
| If Amendment adds multiple dependent claims, add \$280.00 (1203) | | | | | 0.00 |
| Total Amendment Fee | | | | | 0.00 |
| If small entity status is claimed, subtract 50% of Total Amendment Fee | | | | | 0.00 |
| TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE DUE FOR THIS AMENDMENT | | | | | 0.00 |

A claim fee in the amount of \$_____ is enclosed.

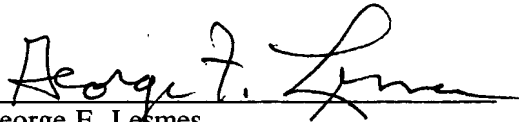
Charge \$_____ to Deposit Account No. 02-4800.

The Director is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17, 1.20(d) and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4800. This paper is submitted in duplicate.

Respectfully submitted,

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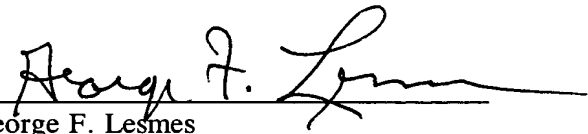
Attached please find an executed Terminal Disclaimer in connection with the application identified above.

A check for [] \$55.00 (2814) [X] \$110.00 (1814) to cover the requisite Government fee is also attached. The Director is authorized to charge any fees that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account 02-4800. This paper is submitted in duplicate.

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